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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, INTELLIGENCE OVERSIGHT BOARD

THROUGH: Office of the DoD Senior Intelligence Oversight Official

SUBJECT: (U) Report to the Intelligence Oversight Board on NSA Activities—
INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

(U//~~FOUO~~) Except as previously reported to you or the President or otherwise stated in the enclosure, we have no reason to believe that intelligence activities of the National Security Agency during the quarter ending 30 June 2015 were unlawful or contrary to Executive Order or Presidential Directive and, thus, should have been reported pursuant to Section 1.6(c) of Executive Order 12333, as amended.

(U//~~FOUO~~) The Inspector General and the General Counsel continue to exercise oversight of Agency activities by inspections, surveys, training, review of directives and guidelines, and advice of counsel.

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DR. GEORGE ELLARD
Inspector General

PAUL F. MORRIS
Acting General Counsel

(U) I concur with the report of the Inspector General and the General Counsel and hereby make it our combined report.

MICHAEL S. ROGERS
Admiral, U.S. Navy
Director, NSA/Chief, CSS

Encl:
Quarterly Report

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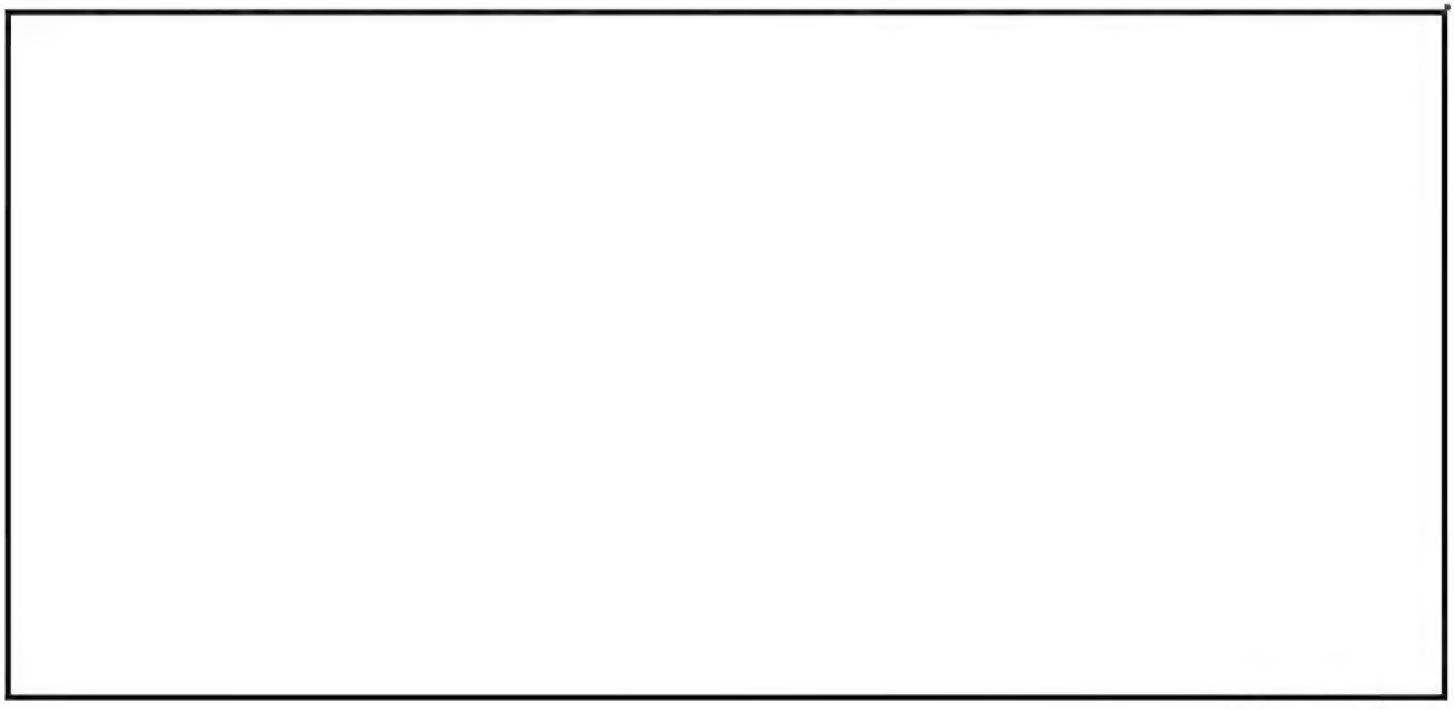
(U) REPORT TO THE INTELLIGENCE OVERSIGHT BOARD ON NSA ACTIVITIES SECOND QUARTER CY2015

(U) Pursuant to Executive Order 12333 (E.O. 12333), as amended, National Security Directive 42, and other legal and policy directives, the National Security Agency (NSA) conducts signals intelligence (SIGINT) and information assurance (IA) activities on behalf of the U.S. government. These activities might result in the acquisition of non-public information of or concerning U.S. persons (USPs). NSA personnel are required to follow procedures designed to protect USP privacy, consistent with the Fourth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and other laws. NSA personnel must also comply with requirements of Presidential Policy Directive 28 (PPD-28) concerning protection of personal information of all individuals, regardless of nationality.

(U) NSA has established controls to provide reasonable assurance that its personnel comply with procedures for handling USP information, such as minimization procedures adopted by the Attorney General (AG) and approved by the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court (FISC) to govern USP information acquired during SIGINT activities conducted pursuant to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) of 1978, as amended.

(U) This report summarizes incidents of non-compliance with AG-approved procedures, as well as other matters required to be reported to the Intelligence Oversight Board, identified during the second quarter of calendar year (CY) 2015.

(U) The matters reported herein are based on the information available at the time of this report and are not believed to be cases of willful misuse.



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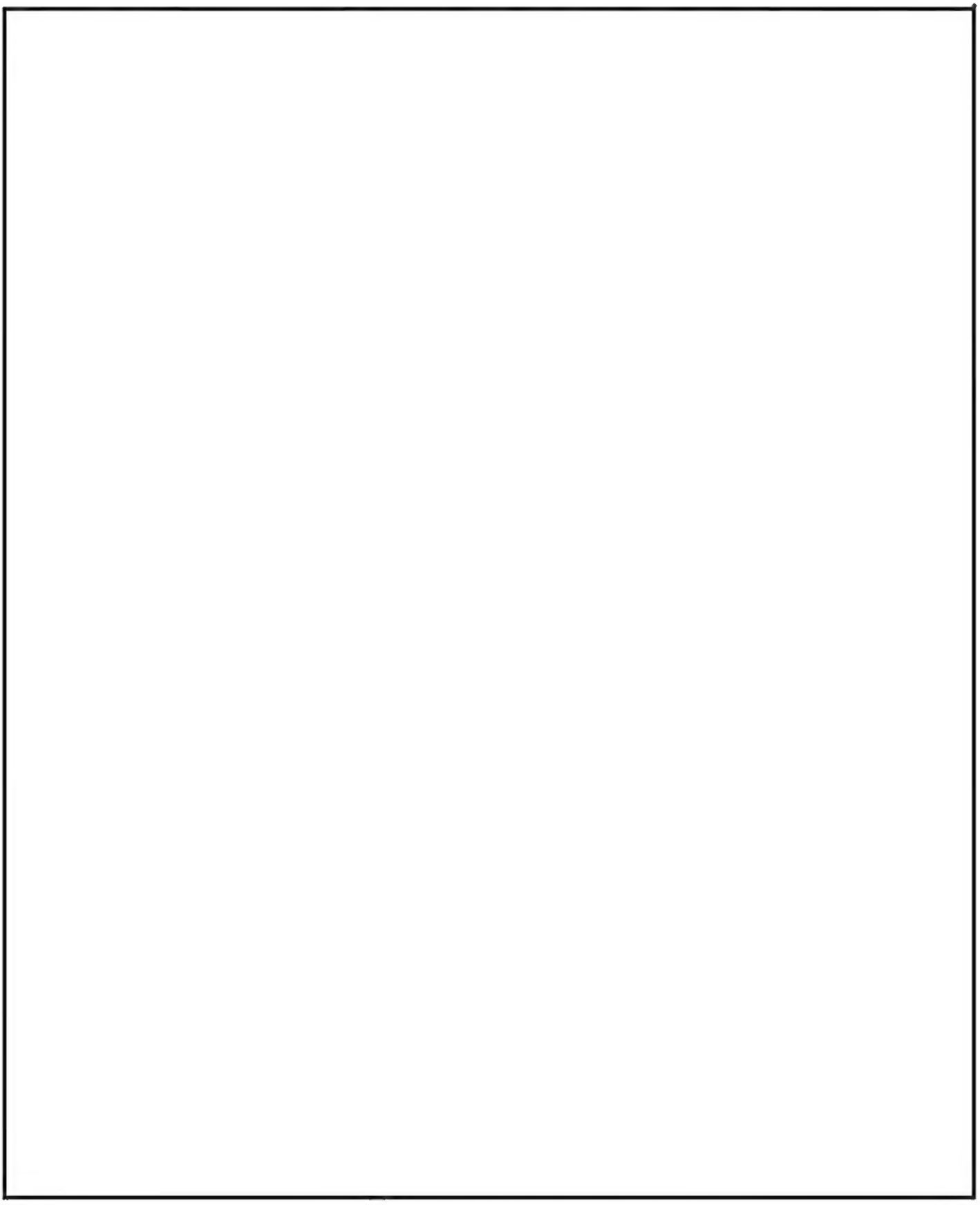

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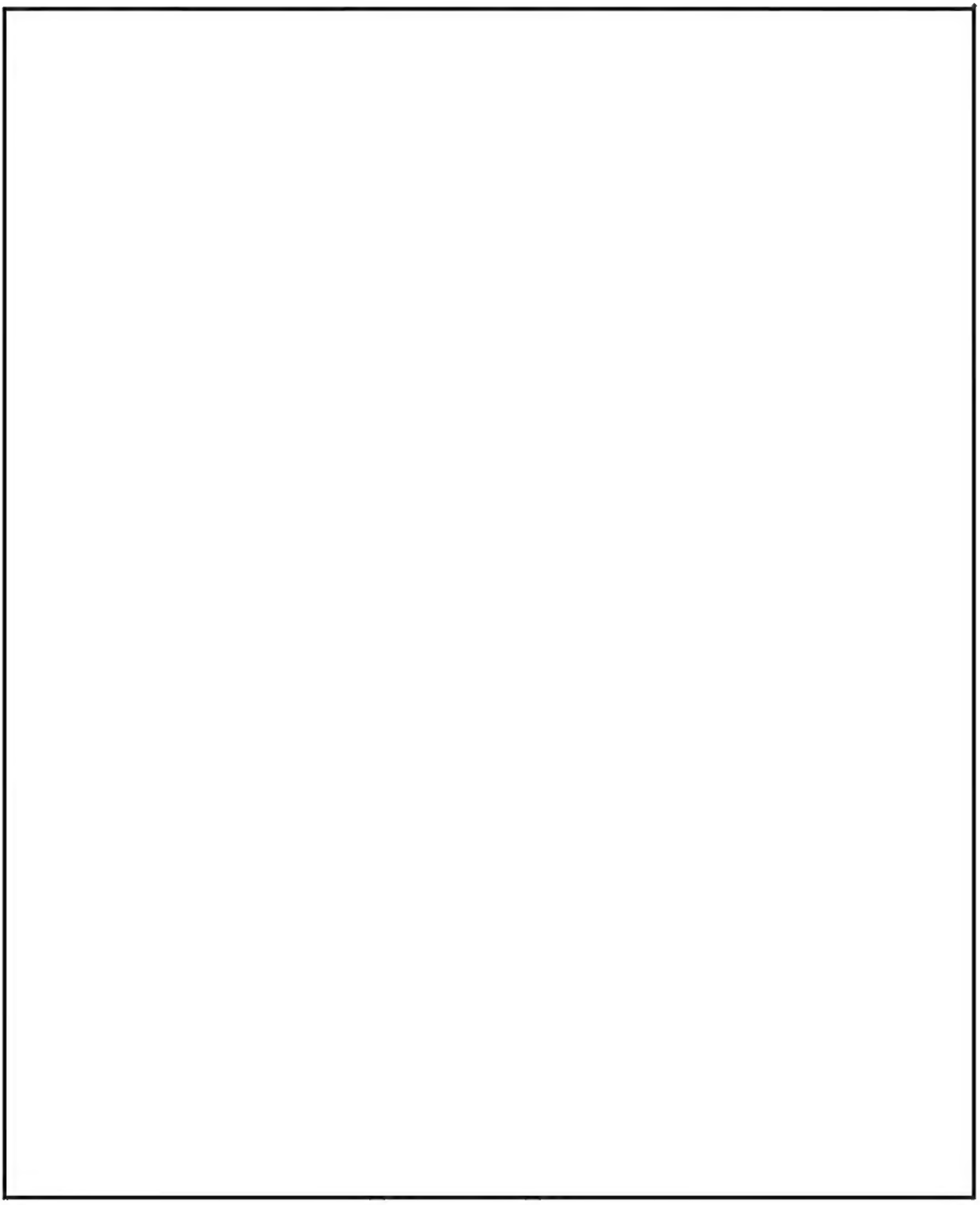

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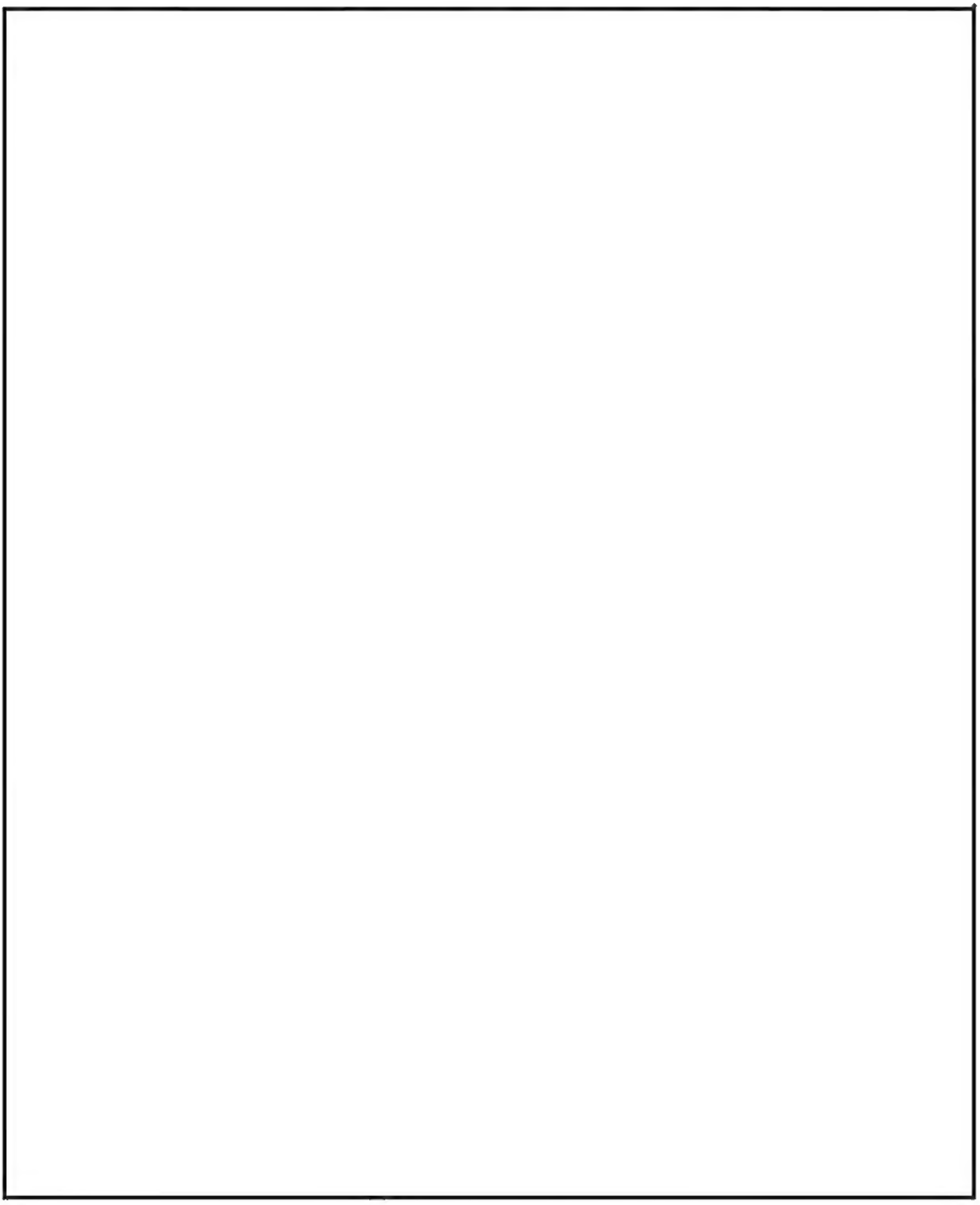

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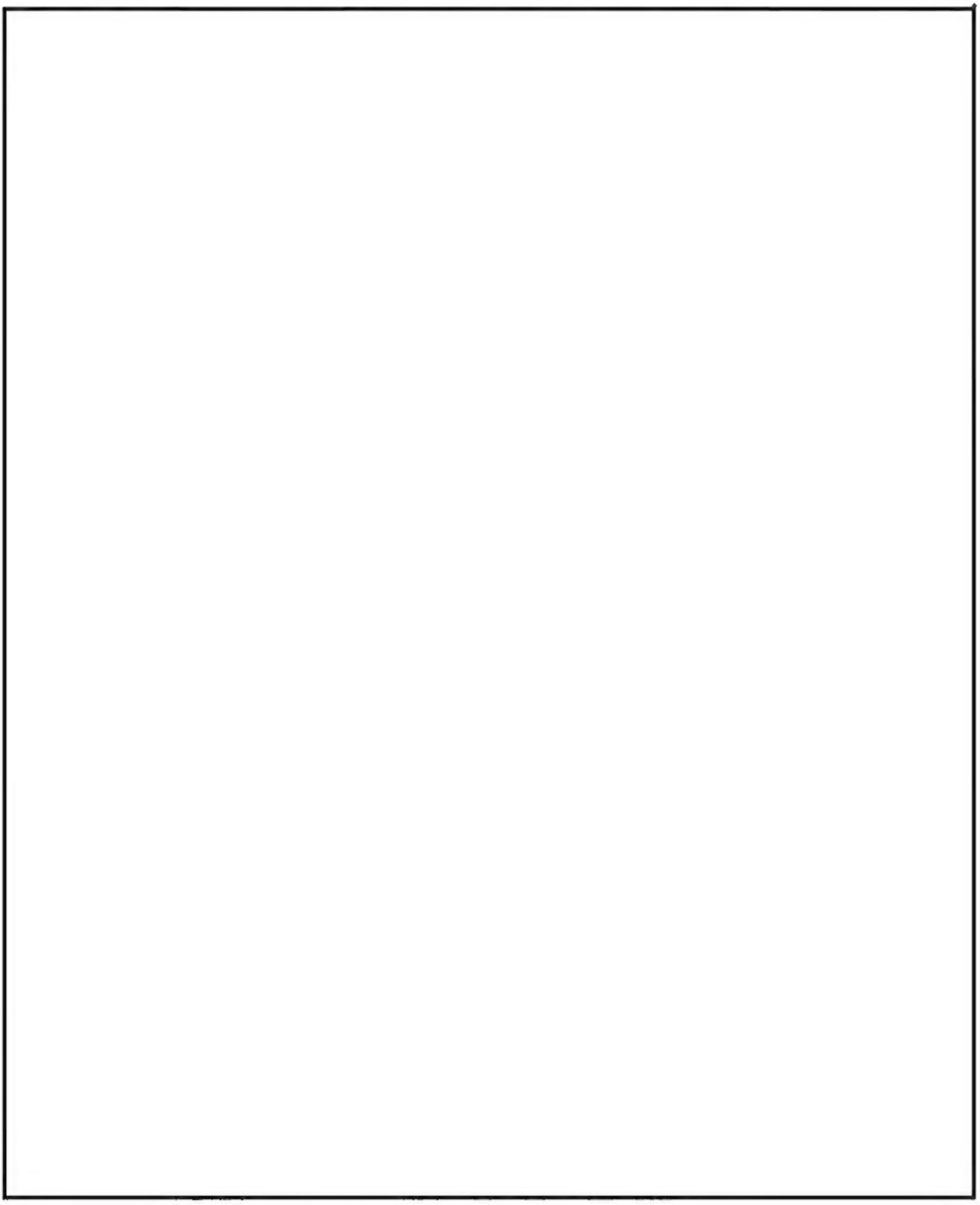

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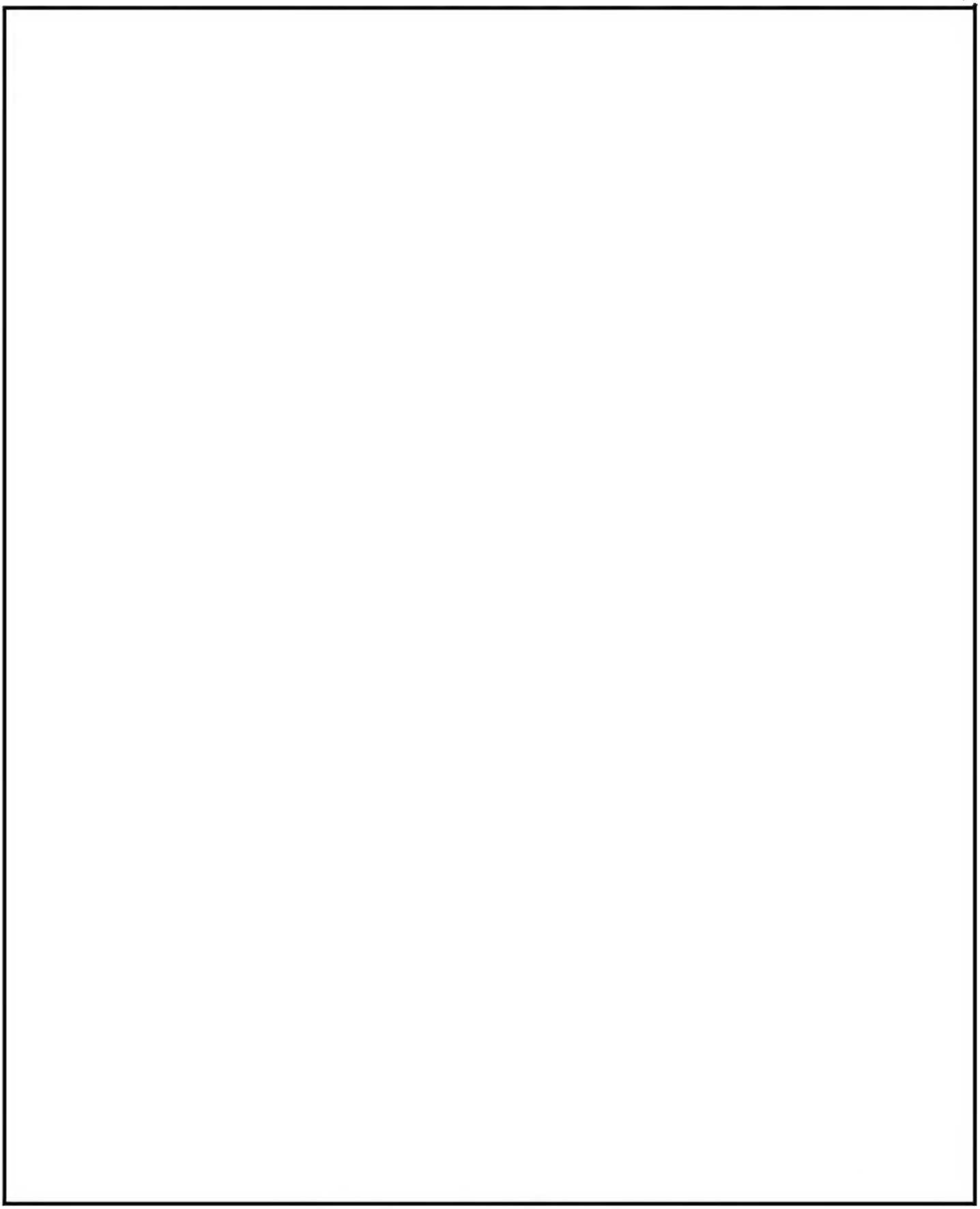

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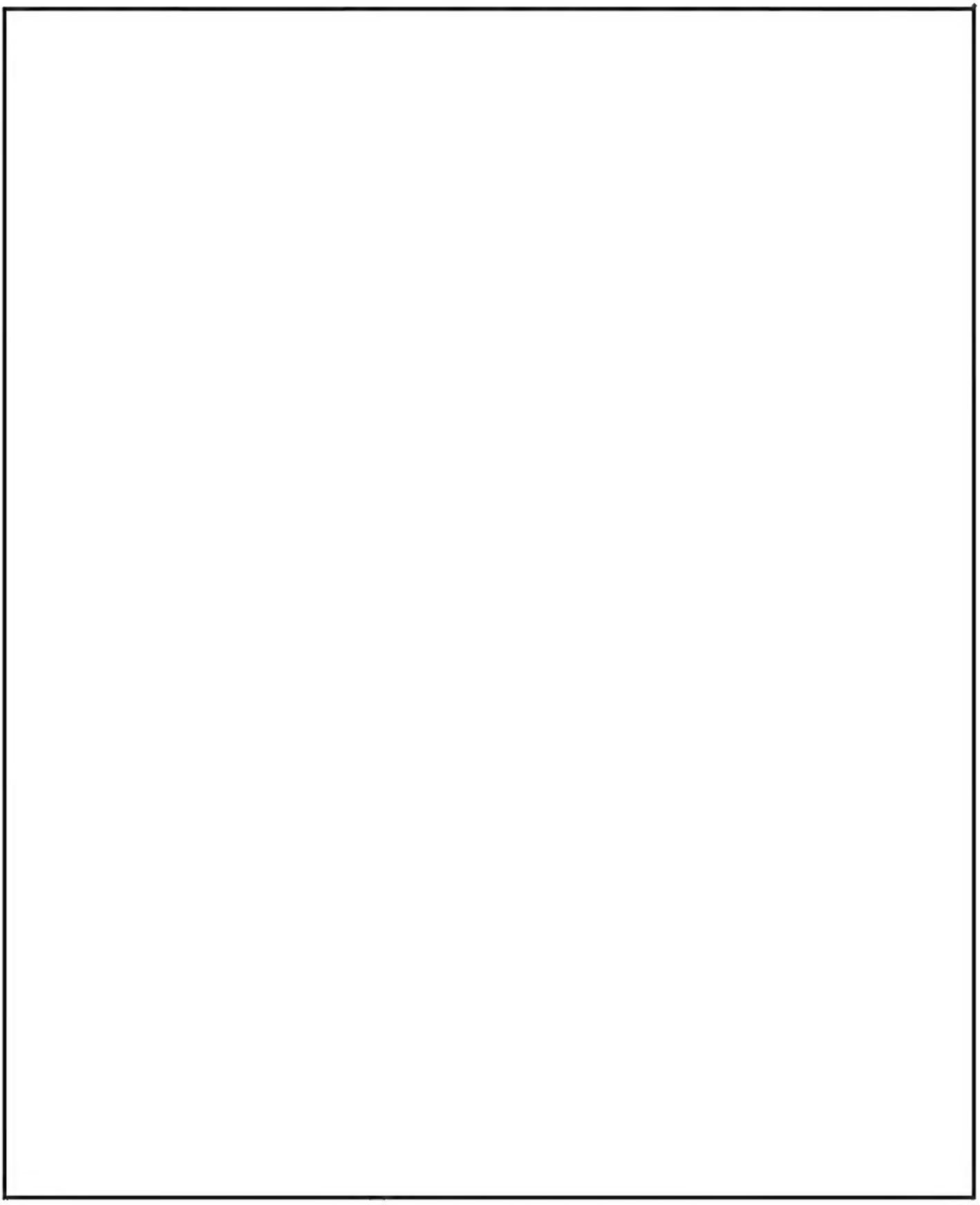

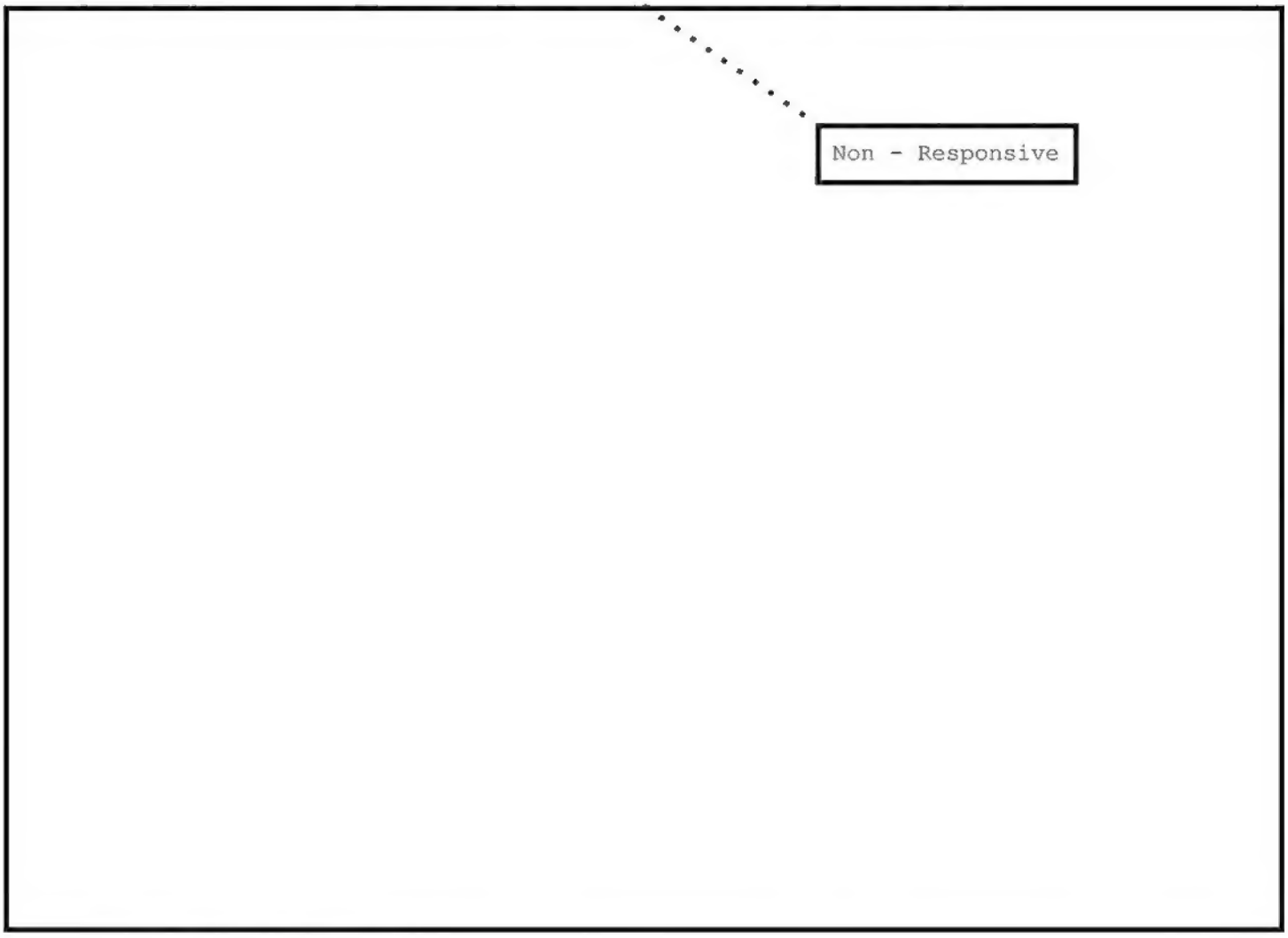

VI. (U) Other Matters

- (U//~~FOUO~~) On three occasions, NSA notified congressional intelligence committees of the discontinuation of bulk telephone metadata collection pursuant to the business records provision of FISA, commonly referred to as "§215," and the implementation of the USA Freedom Act (USAFA). On 29 May 2015, NSA reported the timeline of steps to discontinue collection of bulk telephony metadata under title V of FISA, as amended by §215 of the USA Patriot Act. NSA shut down the bulk telephony metadata program on 31 May 2015 in connection with the sunset of §215 of the USA Patriot Act. On 2 June 2015, immediately after the USAFA, which reauthorized a modified version of §215, was enacted into law, the government filed an application to re-initiate the acquisition of the telephone metadata consistent with the USAFA's 180-day transition provision. On 4 June 2015, NSA reported that it had begun to implement the recently enacted USAFA. The FISC approved the application on 29 June 2015. [redacted] NSA reported that it had re-initiated the collection of bulk telephone metadata.

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